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Para 2 to cable [REDACTED]

REF B.: [REDACTED]

With respect to
2. ~~With respect to~~ ^{you} Ref ~~erence~~ B suggested that your comments on recent crisis State reporting on the/situation was "perhaps not a proper task." Let me assure you that I read your message with a great deal of interest. I consider it most appropriate and helpful. As DCI I must be able to present intelligence unbiased by policy considerations. I count heavily on Chiefs of Station to provide a major input to that. It is not that we are in competition with the Department's ~~State~~ reporting; it's simply that we have to stand on our own whenever we happen to differ with them. Keep up the good work.

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FROM TURNER

REF: A.
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1. I WISH TO COMMEND YOU ON THE MANNER IN WHICH YOU HANDLED THE INITIATIVE DESCRIBED IN REF A AND EXTEND OUR APPRECIATION FOR THIS TIMELY REPORTING.

2. WITH RESPECT TO REF B, YOU SUGGESTED THAT YOUR COMMENTS ON RECENT STATE REPORTING ON THE CRISIS SITUATION WAS "PERHAPS NOT A PROPER TASK." LET ME ASSURE YOU THAT I READ YOUR MESSAGE WITH A GREAT DEAL OF INTEREST. I CONSIDER IT MOST APPROPRIATE AND HELPFUL. AS DCI I MUST BE ABLE TO PRESENT INTELLIGENCE UNBIASED BY POLICY CONSIDERATIONS. I COUNT HEAVILY ON CHIEFS OF STATION TO PROVIDE A MAJOR INPUT TO THAT. IT IS NOT THAT WE ARE IN COMPETITION WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S REPORTING; IT'S SIMPLY THAT WE HAVE TO STAND ON OUR OWN WHENEVER WE HAPPEN TO DIFFER WITH THEM. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

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